

1	2
1982-83	1.06
1983-84	8.79
1984-85	14.34
1985-86	17.81
1986-87	2.20
1987-88	10.56
1988-89	14.34
1989-90	167.01
1990-91	180.46
1991-92	197.85
1992-93	176.17
1993-94	152.78
1994-95	112.90
1995-96	287.92
1996-97 (upto 1/97)	143.39
Total upto Jan '97	1489.44

[Translation]

SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, this question relates to Dulhasti Project. In his reply the hon. Minister has stated that this project was started in 1989. From the details that have been given, it can be seen that an amount of Rs. 71 crore were spent on the project during 1980-1989. Between 1989 and 1992, the expenditure was Rs. 545.32 crore. Thereafter from 1992 to 1997, the amount spent on the project was Rs. 873.16 crore. The work on the project was started in 1989 and in 1989 itself insurgency in the State started. In the meantime the contracting firm abandoned the work and ran away. Even during this period, expenditure has been shown. The firm stopped work in 1992, but between 1992 and 1997, an amount of Rs. 968 crore is shown to have been paid. I want to know what for this payment was made?

MR. SPEAKER: If you want a reply, half a minute is left.

SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA: I want to know why this payment is being made to that firm?

[English]

DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI: The project was actually sanctioned in the year 1982 but the work on the project was commenced in the year 1989. In the year 1989 it was sanctioned for turn-key execution to a French Consortium of five companies. The tentative programme for the completion of the project was 57 months and the amount sanctioned was Rs. 1,263 crores out of which French credit

was Rs. 845.97 crore. Out of five members of consortium, one civil contractor suspended the work due to law and order problem. Two of their members were kidnapped by the militants, which created a law and order problem.

12.00 hrs.

After holding several meetings, an MOU had been signed between the NHPC and the French Consortium in the year 1994. Based on the agreement, the French company has given Rs. 28 crore. ...*(Interruptions)*

SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR: What about the payment?

[Translation]

SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA: My question is that the firm abandoned the work in 1992. Then on militancy has heightened up in the State. I want to know why this payment is being made after all? Last year, an amount of Rs. 2 crore was paid. ...*(Interruptions)*

[English]

MR. SPEAKER: Question Hour is over Gupta Ji. I cautioned you to put a short question but you did not listen to me.

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[English]

### Water Scarcity In Gujarat

\*67. SHRIMATI BHAVNABEN DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Gujarat has sent any scheme under accelerated urban water supply programme and other schemes to the Union Government seeking funds to ensure supply of drinking water to water starved towns;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) to (c) Eight schemes were received from the Government of Gujarat under the Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme and the same were sanctioned as per details given in the Statement laid on the Table of the Sabha. However, no specific scheme has been received to supply drinking water under the caption "water starved towns".

**Statement***Projects Sanctioned*

S. No.	Name of Town	District	Population (1991 Census)	Sanctioned Date Mon./Year	Project Cost	Per Capita Cost (In Rs.)	Central Share	Funds released		Expenditure up to Dec. 1995.
								By GOI	By State	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	Dharampur	Valsad	16,584	March '94	54.00	325.62	27.00	I-71.08 (1993-94)		27.53
2.	Bantva	Junagarh	15,394	—	38.50	250.10	19.25			17.47
3.	Dhrol	Jamnagar	17,060	—	132.60	777.26	66.30	II-87.24 (1994-95)	146.00	0.00
4.	Okha Port	Jamnagar	13,342	—	14.60	109.43	7.30			24.28
5.	Jodia	Jamnagar	12,083	—	110.25	912.44	55.12	III-27.30 (1995-96)		0.00
6.	Mendarda	Junagarh	13,142	—	49.00	372.85	24.50			20.97
7.	Barwala	Ahmedabad	13,485	Jan '96	90.94	674.38	45.47			0.00
8.	Surajkaradi	Jamnagar	14,325	—	18.20	127.05	9.10			0.00
Total			115,415		508.09		185.62			90.25

**Krishna-Godavari Basin**

\*68. SHRI SYDAIAH KOTA:  
SHRIMATI SARADA TADIPARTHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the GS-15 field of the Krishna-Godavari basin in Andhra Pradesh is being privatised;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether officials of ONGC have given proposals to produce gas economically with nominal investment for platform structures in this basin; and

(d) if so, the reasons for not agreeing to the proposals by the Union Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU):  
(a) to (c) No such specific proposal is under consideration of the Government of India.

(d) Does not arise.

**Delhi Rent Act**

\*69. SHRI B.L. SHARMA 'PREM':  
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 10 on November 20, 1996 and state:

(a) the present position of the Delhi Rent Control Act, 1995 and its implementation;

(b) since when it is under Government's consideration and the reasons for the delay in issuing a Notification for its implementation;

(c) whether Government have made any rules under the Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) Government have been receiving a large number of representations both from the landlords and the tenants. While the tenants, particularly the trader tenants, have been requesting for amendment to some of the provisions of the Act, the landlords have been requesting for early notification of the Act. These representations and also the suggestions made by the All Party Committee set up by the then Chief Minister Delhi (Shri Madan Lai Khurana) are under examination of Government. Various issues mentioned therein have been under consideration of the Government since August 1995, when it was assented to by the President of India. Various high level meetings have taken place in order to arrive at a consensus. So as to balance the interests of both the landlords and the tenants. The matter is now in the final stages for taking a decision in this regard.

(c) and (d) The Government have not made any rules under the Act as it has not been notified for enforcement so far.